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REMARKS

1. The reply filed on 5/7/01 in Paper No. 7 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action and the amendment to the claims has not been entered.

2. It is noted that Applicant has effected amendments to un-elected and withdrawn claims 7 and 8 and inadvertently reflected and renumbered them as claims 9 and 10. Currently pending elected claims 9 and 10 were not duly amended nor responded to, which does not appear to be Applicant's intent. Accordingly, Applicant failed to address the rejections of claim 9 and 10 in the previous Office Action in Paper No. 6.

Non-election and withdrawal of claims 7 and 8 in Paper No. 6 has been confirmed by Applicant, without traverse, in this non-responsive amendment.

3. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given TIME PERIOD of **ONE (1) MONTH** or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply a fully responsive amendment.

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Gailene R. Gabel whose telephone number is (703) 305-0807. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday from 6:30 AM - 4:00 PM and alternate Fridays.

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